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In re Application of:

John H. Givens

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Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are filed in response to the Examiner's remarks in the Final Office Action mailed July 26, 2007, the three-month shortened statutory period for response to which expires on October 26, 2007. This response is submitted on or before two months from the mailing date of the Final Office Action.

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